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In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. 09/939,591

Group Art Unit: 3747

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Examiner: M. Gimie

For: CORROSION-RESISTING AND WEAR-RESISTING
ALLOY AND DEVICE USING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed
February 13, 2003, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention
defined by the Examiner in Group I, including claims 1-9.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10, 11, 13 and 14 without prejudice
or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 10, 11, 13 and 14 have been canceled without
prejudice or disclaimer in order to be prosecuted in a
divisional application.

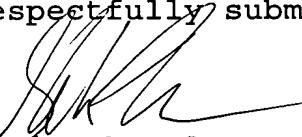
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any payment due to deposit account no. 50-1417.

Examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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